श्री नरेन्द्र मोहन : आदरणीय प्रधान मंत्री का धन्यवाद कि उन्होंने स्पष्टीकरण दिया लेकिन यह स्पष्टीकरण अधूरा है। जो खुली सीमाए है इनकी वजह है हम कोई प्रतिबंध नही लगा सकते है। लेकिन खुली सीमाए देश के अन्य पड़ोसी देशों के साथ भी है तो उन पर नियंत्रण करने के लिये उन्होंने कोई तंत्र बनाया है। अत: प्रश्न था कि क्या ऐसा कोई तंत्र बनाया जा सकता है जिससे नेपाल के लोग भारत में आते है तो उनके बारे में सही जानकारी एकत्रित की जा सके?

एक बात और है प्रधान मंत्री जी कि नेपाल के जो लोग भारत में आकर बस गये है और एक प्रकार से उन्होंने नागरिकता तक प्राप्त कर ली है और यह स्थिति ऐसी बन गई है कि जब चुनाव होते हैं तो उस अवसर पर उनकी एक विशेष भूमिका बन जाती है जबकि भारत के जो लोग नेपाल में रहते है उनके साथ वह स्थिति नही बन पा रही है। इन स्थितियों पर ध्यान रखते हुये क्या आप ऐसा तंत्र बनाने की सोचेंगे कि जितने नेपाली भारत में रह रहे है उनके बारे में वास्तविक जानकारी हमको मिल सके ? दूसरी बात और है जो भारतीय नेपाल में जाते है उन्हें वे समस्त सुविधाएं मिल सके जो उन नेपालियों को भारत में मिलती है, जो नेपाल से आकर यहां रह रहे है।

BHWt I. K. GUJRAL: Madam, I have just now submitted and I want to submit again for the attention 01* my hon friend who is very knowledgeable on this issUt that the Indo-Nepal relationship b4» a uniqueness about it. And this type ol relationship is of a very high value to u' Not ouly today, not only yesterday, for centuries this rela-tionhip has been there and ve want to swtain <•. Of course, aberrations come 'hue/ to time and sometimes one has to reM**>d to them. Vs far as the difficulties of Indians residing in Nepal are concerned, particu'arlv teachers we have been talking f_0 Nepal time and again. I have myself personally taken up with the two respective Governments and they have been promising to sort it out. But at ths same time, so far as the data of people there are concerned, you know India is a vast country and if tbe borders are open, then the census equipment or census system has to be further sensitised. But at the moment v.'e are looking int_0 it but kindly let us not give one impression, we need not go from this House, that is, under any circumstances we do nO[want to, 1 repeat that under any circumstances we d_0 not want to revise the quality o^f the relationships that exist between Our countries. We value them.

THE DEPUTY-CHAIRMAN: I think after the Prime Minister's clarifications, there is nothing left. Question No 324.

Reply to M.Ps. Letters by Regional Password Office Triciiy

"324. SHRl N. THALAVAI SUNDARAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(al whether it is a fact that replies to the $letter_s$ sent by MPs. to the Regional Passport Office. Trichy. are not given:

(b) if so. <he reasons therefor: and

ic) the stepsi taken to ensure that the replies to the letters from M Ps. ar« riven by the above Office?

THF MINISTER OF STATE IN THF MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AF-I AIRS I SH RIM ATI KAMLA SINHA): (a) to fcl A statement is laid on th^c Tablj. of the House.

Statement

r.) fc) Althougt n_0 separate in*' -en issued b_v the M.r nislrv of External Affair-; on the Subjetc :l Pis.pon Officers arc expected

follow he instructions laid do*» bv the Government of In, l ie, in tb* $Manu_{rt}$! of Office Procedure rogardi*

correspondance with the Members of Parliament.

Recently, the Department of Administrative Reform and Public Grievance? have issued fresh guidelines, dated 22. 7.1997, on prompt attention to communications from Members of Parliament. These ha\e been circulated to all the Passport Offices for strict compliance.

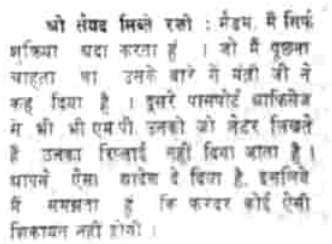
The passport Officer "Trichy is receiving approximately 25 letters per month from the Members of Parliament. Most of these letters are recommendatory jn nature. ,m all such cases expedj'.ions •and appropriate actibn is 'aken to issue* 'he p?.3^ports within the rule*. However, when specific information is sought, or any complaint made, prompt replies are invariably issued.

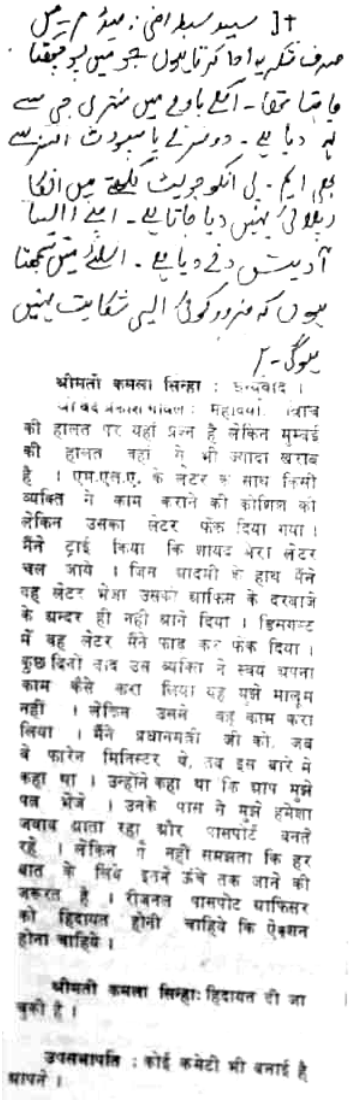
SHRI N. TWALAVAI SUNDARAM: Madam, 1 am sorry to say and I would like to inform this House that every Member who *i»* sending letter^ to anv Department including Prime Minister's Office receives replies within a week especiaJly from the Prime Minister's Office As far as this Department *is* concerned, Madam, (parlfcularly in the Trichy Passport Office, I wnaLe several letters fo the concerned officers 1he> are not sending any replies. They are issuinj bogus passports to certain people This is mv complaint. My first supple-menrarv question is. has action been taken against (he concerned officer for his not tending replies t_n our letters'"

SHR1MA1I KAMLA SJNHA-. Madam *on* receiving this question we have en-/fn'red into the suto of affairs in Pa&spon Office and we *ha-M* :.it the passport officer in Trichy is receiving approximately 25 nonih from the Members of v.cnt and these le'tcts are n tncndalcry in nature. We have com* to know tihat when tl>e recommen- - have r*en compliej with (here has b«n I l»P* *on the* part of tlic lie JiJ noi inform thi> Member of Parliament ahout the compliance He should have We hav_e al-^lion* to all our passport offices that every letter from MP w he i her recommendatory or not, should be' answered to.

SHRI N. THALAVAf SUNDARAM: My sicond supplementary question Maclam, is. that as far as passport applica tion is concerned, there js a column for atte latioa. We are from remote areas, we are fcom villlage ateas. 'his attestation is done only by the Superintendent of Police as fer as ,, Jistrie, is concerned As far as a metropolitan city is concerned, only a magistrate is assigned for attestation. 1 would like to ask the Prime Miniser whether a Member of Parliament is c.igible fot signinj (he attestation foim for passport. Is there anj proposal for M Ps to attest the passport form"

THE PRIME MINISTER (SHR I K OUJRALj. This issue I up couple of times here The Oovrnment had no objection to thi* Bti; Members of Parliament did not wan_t to take this ' respbmibtyiry because jt moves a responsibility *sx.i* 1 can well understand lha_t a Member of Parliament being » public person j? not in a position to say 'no to anyhody Therefore, sometime, i: creates problems for them Therefore i» was on th* "pacific recom mendaUor. bf Member., of Parlnmeu' ih it ilv. pract'or was IKI, under taken.





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श्रीमती कमला सिन्हा : एडवाइजरी कमेटी बनाई जा रही है । उसकी प्रक्रिया चालू है और जैसे ही हो जायेगा, आपको सूचित कर दिया जायेगा ।

उपसभापति : कोई कमेटी भी बनाई है, उसके बारे में नाम मांगे थे, हम लोगों ने भेज दिये हैं ।

• AN HON. MEMBER: That is not finalised.

THE DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: They will finalise it. Now the Question Hour iV over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Early implementation of MPLADS Fro-• Jectj in .Amravati district

*325. DR. SHR1KANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR WILL THE PRIM E MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of *e need for early clearance and imple-Mentation of MPLADS MPLADS projects in -he Me.tf.at region of Amravati district of Maharashtra, where more than 4500 tri- .;' ch,|dren h^ died due to malnntri-'oii and disease;

lb) if so, what special steps would be Taken for this and

What more can be done under MPLANDS in this area so that the benfits
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teachers the poor tribals in this are

The minister of state in the MwlAN PRO-
MATI RATNAWLA HARESHWAR Guidelines on MPLAND| As per the

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